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PARKS DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES SUMMER STREET TREE HEARING

The Boston Parks and Recreation Department will host a public hearing to discuss the proposed removal of 32 public shade trees due to a reconstruction project on Summer Street in Fort Point being overseen by the Boston Redevelopment Authority (BRA).

The hearing will be held at 10 a.m. on Thursday, November 7, in the 3rd floor Conference Room of the Boston Parks and Recreation Department located at 1010 Massachusetts Avenue, Roxbury.

After several years of city and community review, the BRA project calls for the reconstruction of Summer Street between the Fort Point Bridge and Boston Wharf Road and entails raising and leveling sidewalks, rerouting utilities, relocating curbing, adding a sidewalk level cycle track, and other major construction activities.

The hearing will discuss an application for removal of 14 white oak trees measuring 3 inches dbh (diameter at breast height), seven Amelanchier trees measuring 2.5 inches dbh, four red oak trees measuring 5 inches dbh, one red oak measuring 4 inches dbh, four Callery Pear trees measuring 6 inches dbh, and two Zelkova trees measuring 4 inches dbh.

The public hearing will be held by the City of Boston Tree Warden (or designee) who may accept or deny the application. If you have any questions or comments regarding this hearing, please contact the Boston Parks and Recreation Department at (617) 635-7275 or by submitting written comments to: Boston Parks and Recreation Department, Attn: Summer Street Tree Hearing, 1010 Massachusetts Avenue, 3rd Floor, Boston, MA 02118 no later than 5 p.m. on Tuesday, November 5. A decision regarding the request will be made within two weeks of the hearing.

For further information, please contact Greg Mosman of the Boston Parks and Recreation Department at (617) 635-7275.

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